

From: [Setnicar, Mary](#)
To: [Suero, Maryann](#)
Subject: RE: correction: FW: (122174026) R5 Website Comments
Date: Monday, May 06, 2013 1:31:25 PM

Thanks, Mary Ann: I figured you'd be on top of this

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From: Suero, Mary Ann
Sent: Monday, May 06, 2013 1:12 PM
To: Staniec, Carol; Setnicar, Mary
Subject: correction: FW: (122174026) R5 Website Comments
I should have said eastern part of Sandusky **County**, OH....sorry!

From: Suero, Mary Ann
Sent: Monday, May 06, 2013 1:08 PM
To: Staniec, Carol; Setnicar, Mary; McCree, Barbara
Subject: RE: (122174026) R5 Website Comments
I just forwarded the message to the Superfund folks who have been working on assessing old dump sites in the **eastern part of Sandusky County OH** including Clyde. The work is being done as an outgrowth of the childhood cancer investigation that OH EPA and OH Department of Health and Sandusky County Health Department carried out. I cc'd Margaret on the message to Superfund and spoke with her very briefly about the citizen letter earlier today.
As background, the Superfund folks set up a Hotline to gather information related to old hazardous waste sites that OH EPA discovered in their work in support of the cancer cluster investigation. Superfund also welcomed citizens to provide information about other sites as well. The Hotline was active much of 2012 and subsequently, removal assessments were done on several properties. A couple of removal actions were carried out. One site has additional sampling taking place. See more info at <http://www.epa.gov/region5/cleanup/easternsandusky/>
The site identified by the citizen may actually be one that's already been addressed in Superfund's work.

Maryann

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From: Staniec, Carol
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Subject: RE: (122174026) R5 Website Comments

The citizen is requesting this information through FOIA. This didn't come in through a FOIA request. Since this would be a large gathering of historical information, how should we proceed. **Non-Responsive**

[REDACTED] I do not know if the onsite FOIA talks about costs.

Please let me know how to proceed.

Carol Staniec

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From: Setnicar, Mary
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To: McCree, Barbara; Suero, Mary Ann
Cc: Staniec, Carol
Subject: FW: (122174026) R5 Website Comments
Not in my area, Barbara.

I'm forwarding your message to Mary Ann, who's been heavily involved in issues regarding Clyde, and to the acting chief for the RCRA enforcement section that's the contact for Ohio

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Sent: Monday, May 06, 2013 10:59 AM
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Mary

Would this be something that you would respond to?

Thanks

Barbara McCree
OPA Hotline
----- Forwarded by Barbara McCree/R5/USEPA/US on 05/06/2013 10:57 AM -----

From: "idaemon.rtpnc.epa.gov" <idaemon@hazelnut3.epa.gov>
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Date: 05/03/2013 04:40 PM
Subject: (122174026) R5 Website Comments

0.Comment:May 3, 2013

REF: Alleged Hazardous Waste Dumping in Clyde, Ohio

Dear Region 5, EPA:

After being diagnosed with a seizure disorder and having other compromising neurological symptoms, I elected to undergo some genetic testing. In my family many have been diagnosed or succumbed to rare conditions like hypertrophic obstructive cardiomyopathy. Therefore obtaining crucial information pertaining to my DNA profile would prove essential in determining a proper diagnosis and establishing an appropriate care plan moving forward. Inevitably, this testing has led other family members to obtain the same testing and begin asking questions as to why our family through the years has been stricken with unusual illnesses or inherited conditions.

Recently, as a Mother's day surprise, I began linking the maternal DNA I just acquired and began gathering information as to our family's heritage to share amongst all the Moms in the family since we really don't know much about our history. As I was working on my project, I stopped for a moment to show it to my Father-in-law and he noticed we were the first pioneers in Clyde, Ohio. I began telling him about the

weird "cluster" of rare cancers that have plagued the Clyde area and I even brought up an on-line news article about it and showed it to him. He never heard about the clustering and was surprised by it since his family is from Missouri not Ohio. Coincidentally, he began telling me about a time after he served in Veitnam and took a job hauling tankers of hazardous waste from Pennsylvania and dumped it in Clyde, Ohio. He described the location off I-80, East of Snowshoe, PA a ways near Scranton. The facility was used in the 1940-50s as a testing and storage site for the hydrogen bomb. He described the buildings as dilapidated and the silos had open containers with some sort of liquid (possibly run-off) which they filled their tankers and hauled it to Clyde, Ohio. He couldn't remember how many trips they made but assured it was several. The company he worked for was out of Wellington, Ohio. The compound the silos rested upon he estimated approximately more than 3,000 acres which sat in the foothills of the Pennsylvania mountains. He mentioned going to a place just a couple miles North of Clyde in which the hazardous material was removed from his tanker; he doesn't know what that company did with it after emptying his storage tank. He did recall the site in Clyde had 3-4 open pits and was unsure if they were lined. At times upon delivery, he remembered something that smelled like burned oil but was unsure what it was. With his description, I believe you will be able to definitively note the exact location the hazardous waste was removed and dumped within the Clyde community. As he described the incident to me, he recalled it great detail including the containers the waste was stored in for transport. Therefore, his depiction of what took place may be useful to your team.

Through the Freedom of Information Act, I'm requesting this message be passed along to reveal what nuclear waste was ascertained in Pennsylvania and dumped in the Clyde community. In addition, a full disclosure of the amount of waste; type of waste; where it was dumped; and the hazards it posed to the general public.

To date, the unexplained "cluster" of rare cancers has taken many children all too soon; my descendents have died early in life as well. Many of whom have been diagnosed by rare and incurable illnesses, neurological conditions, and may have passed along those mutated genes to future generations. We are requesting that a full investigation go forth so the truth may be told since environmental surveyors have no answers as to what remains as the cause for the cancers. In addition, surveyors did not account for the other rare conditions that descendents of that area have died from or have been diagnosed with since they no longer live in Clyde, Ohio.

These illnesses are not prejudice; they don't skip generations; they are incurable; and they are forever impacting the generations of Clyde descendents. We ask you to please research this dumping in an effort to provide the much needed answers we so desperately require to keep our families safe and the those that follow.

Thank you for hearing my concerns and I look forward to hearing your response. Here is a link to several of the sites that were closed in Pennsylvania which may help in your search:

http://www.dep.state.pa.us/brp/Decom_and_Env_Sur/PA_Decommissioning_Site_Summaries.htm

Non-Responsive

cc: The Honorable Governor of the State of Ohio John Kaisch
The Honorable Senator Sherrod Brown
The Honorable Senator Rob Portman

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